## CONTENT STANDARD 2: Technological Impacts

Students will understand the impact that technology has on the social, cultural and environmental aspects of their lives.

## K-12 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Educational experiences in Grades K-4 will assure that students:

- define technology;
- describe how technology is used in familiar surroundings;
- describe how their actions can affect the environment;
- identify positive and negative impacts of technology;
- describe the role of technology in their lives;
- trace the historical development of a product or process of technology;
- define the role of technology in education, the family and the community;
  and
- identify an existing technology and describe how it could be used differently.

Educational experiences in Grades 5-8 will assure that students:

- explain how technology and technological activity has expected and unexpected effects;
- develop criteria for evaluating technology;
- identify and describe how individual technological innovations may be combined to create new technologies;
- explore and identify the personal, societal, economic and environmental effects of technological systems;
- trace the historical development of at least one technology, identifying its effects and hypothesizing about its future;
- identify the social and economic impacts of automation and computercontrolled processing; and
- describe the universal input, process, output, feedback (IPOF) systems model.

Educational experiences in Grades 9-12 will assure that students:

- forecast trends in communications, production, transportation and the biorelated technologies, and project their potential impacts;
- employ the input, process, output, feedback system model to their evaluation of technological impacts;
- evaluate technologies based on their positive and negative outcomes; and
- discuss societal and industrial responsibilities for using proper hazardous waste disposal techniques.